

H.R. 1184. A bill for the relief of Jung Ja Golden.

H.R. 2084. A bill for the relief of Fanie Phily Mateo Angeles.

H.R. 3718. A bill for the relief of Mark A. Potts.

Motions severally made to reconsider the votes whereby each bill on the Private Calendar was disposed of today were, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

122.8 PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE— RETURN OF SENATE BILL

Mr. GIBBONS rose to a question of the privileges of the House and submitted the following resolution (H. Res. 577):

Resolved, That the bill of the Senate (S. 1216) entitled the "Crow Boundary Settlement Act of 1994", in the opinion of this House, contravenes the first clause of the seventh section of the first article of the Constitution of the United States and is an infringement of the privileges of this House and that such bill be respectfully returned to the Senate with a message communicating this resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MAZZOLI, ruled that the resolution submitted did present a question of the privileges of the House under rule IX, and recognized Mr. GIBBONS and Mr. HERGER, each for thirty minutes.

After debate,

By unanimous consent, the previous question was ordered on the resolution to its adoption or rejection.

The question being put viva voce,

Will the House agree to said resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MAZZOLI, announced that the yeas had it.

So the resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

122.9 VETERANS HEALTH IMPROVEMENTS ACT OF 1993

On motion of Mr. MONTGOMERY, by unanimous consent, the bill (H.R. 3313) to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve health care services of the Department of Veterans Affairs relating to women veterans, to extend and expand authority for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide priority health care to veterans who were exposed to ionizing radiation or to Agent Orange, to expand the scope of services that may be provided to veterans through Vet Centers, and for other purposes; together with the following amendments of the Senate thereto, was taken from the Speaker's table:

Strike all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Veterans Benefits and Services Amendments of 1994".

SEC. 2 REVISION IN COMPUTATION OF AGGREGATE GUARANTY FOR HOME LOANS.

Section 3702(b) of title 38, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking out paragraph (1) and inserting in lieu thereof the following new paragraph (1):

"(1) the loan has been repaid in full, or the Secretary has been released from liability as to the loan, or if the Secretary has suffered a loss on the loan, the loss has been paid in full; or";

(2) in paragraph (2), by striking out "or" and inserting in lieu thereof a period; and

(3) by striking out paragraph (3).

SEC. 3. AUTHORITY TO GUARANTEE HOME REFINANCE LOANS FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS.

(a) LOANS.—Section 3710(a) of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding after paragraph (10) the following:

"(11) To refinance in accordance with subsection (e) of this section an existing loan guaranteed, insured, or made under this chapter, and to improve the dwelling securing such loan through energy efficiency improvements, as provided in subsection (d) of this section."

(b) AMOUNT OF GUARANTY.—Section 3710(e)(1) of such title is amended—

(1) in the matter above subparagraph (A), by inserting "or subsection (a)(11)" after "subsection (a)(8)"; and

(2) by amending subparagraph (C) to read as follows:

"(C) the amount of the loan may not exceed—

"(i) an amount equal to the sum of the balance of the loan being refinanced and such closing costs (including any discount permitted pursuant to section 3703(c)(3)(A) of this title) as may be authorized by the Secretary, under regulations which the Secretary shall prescribe, to be included in such loan; or

"(ii) in the case of a loan for a purpose specified in such subsection (a)(11), an amount equal to the sum of the amount referred to with respect to the loan under clause (i) of this subparagraph and the amount specified under subsection (d)(2) of this section;"

(c) FEE.—Section 3729(a)(2)(E) of such title is amended by inserting "3710(a)(11)," after "3710(a)(9)(B)(i)."

SEC. 4. EXPANSION OF PERIOD OF VIETNAM ERA FOR CERTAIN VETERANS.

(a) EXPANSION OF ERA.—Section 101(29) of title 38, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"(29) The term 'Vietnam era' means—

"(A) the period beginning February 28, 1961, and ending on May 7, 1975, in the case of a veteran who served in the Republic of Vietnam during such period; and

"(B) the period beginning August 5, 1964, and ending on May 7, 1975, in all other cases."

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect on October 1, 1994. No person shall be entitled to receive by reason of the amendment made by subsection (a) any benefits for any period before such date.

SEC. 5. EXCLUSION OF CERTAIN PAYMENTS TO ALASKA NATIVES FROM DETERMINATION OF ANNUAL INCOME FOR PURPOSES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR PENSION.

Section 1503(a) of title 38, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking out "and" at the end of paragraph (9);

(2) by striking out the period at the end of paragraph (10)(B) and inserting in lieu thereof "and"; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(11) cash, stock, land, or other interest referred to in subparagraphs (A) through (E) below paragraph (3) of section 29(c) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1626(c)), whether attributable to the disposition of real property, profits from the operation of real property, or otherwise, that is received from a Native Corporation under such Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.)."

SEC. 6. AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR USE OF PROPERTY AT EDWARD HINES, JR., DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL CENTER.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may enter into a long-term lease or similar agreement with the organization known as the The Caring Place at Loyola, Inc., a not-for-profit organization operating under the laws of the State of Illinois, to permit that organization to establish on the grounds of the Edward Hines, Jr., Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Hines, Illinois, a facility to provide temporary accommodations for family members of severely ill children who are being treated at the Loyola University of Chicago Medical Center.

(b) TERMS OF AGREEMENT.—An agreement under subsection (a)—

(1) shall ensure that there shall be no cost to the Federal Government as a result of the property use authorized under that subsection;

(2) may permit the use of the property without rent; and

(3) shall, to the extent practicable, ensure that one room of the facility is available for the use of a veteran (at no cost to the veteran) as temporary accommodations for the veteran while the veteran's severely ill child is treated at the Loyola University of Chicago Medical Center.

Amend the title so as to read: "To amend title 38, United States Code, to permit home loan guaranties for energy efficiency improvements, to extend the period of the Vietnam era, to exclude certain payments to Alaska natives from annual income determinations for pension purposes, and for other purposes."

On motion of Mr. MONTGOMERY, said Senate amendments were agreed to with the following amendment:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the amendment to the Senate to the text of the bill, insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the "Veterans Health Programs Extension Act of 1994".

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. References to title 38, United States Code.

TITLE I—GENERAL MEDICAL AUTHORITIES

Sec. 101. Sexual trauma counseling and services.

Sec. 102. Research relating to women veterans.

Sec. 103. Extension of expiring authorities.

Sec. 104. Facilities in Republic of the Philippines.

Sec. 105. Savings provision.

TITLE II—CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZATION

Sec. 201. Authorization of major medical facility projects and major medical facility leases.

Sec. 202. Authorization of appropriations.

SEC. 2. REFERENCES TO TITLE 38, UNITED STATES CODE.

Except as otherwise expressly provided, whenever in this Act an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to, or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference shall be considered to be made to a section or other provision of title 38, United States Code.

TITLE I—GENERAL MEDICAL AUTHORITIES

SEC. 101. SEXUAL TRAUMA COUNSELING AND SERVICES.

(a) AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE TREATMENT SERVICES FOR SEXUAL TRAUMA; REPEAL OF

LIMITATION ON TIME TO SEEK SERVICES.—Subsection (a) of section 1720D is amended—

- (1) by striking out paragraph (2); and
- (2) by inserting after paragraph (1) the following new paragraph (2):

“(2) During the period referred to in paragraph (1), the Secretary may provide appropriate care and services to a veteran for an injury, illness, or other psychological condition that the Secretary determines to be the result of a physical assault, battery, or harassment referred to in that paragraph.”.

(b) EXTENSION OF PERIOD OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE SEXUAL TRAUMA SERVICES.—Such subsection is further amended—

- (1) in paragraph (1), by striking out “December 31, 1995,” and inserting in lieu thereof “December 31, 1998,”; and

- (2) in paragraph (3), by striking out “December 31, 1994,” and inserting in lieu thereof “December 31, 1998,”.

(c) REPEAL OF LIMITATION ON PERIOD OF RECEIPT OF SERVICES.—Such section is further amended—

- (1) by striking out subsection (b); and
- (2) by redesignating subsections (c), (d), and (e) as subsections (b), (c), and (d), respectively.

(d) COORDINATION OF CARE.—Paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of such section, as redesignated by subsection (c)(2), is amended to read as follows:

“(1) The Secretary shall give priority to the establishment and operation of the program to provide counseling and care and services under subsection (a). In the case of a veteran eligible for counseling and care and services under subsection (a), the Secretary shall ensure that the veteran is furnished counseling and care and services under this section in a way that is coordinated with the furnishing of such care and services under this chapter.”.

(e) INCREASED PRIORITY OF CARE.—Section 1712(i) is amended—

- (1) in paragraph (1)—
- (A) by inserting “(A)” after “To a veteran”; and

(B) by inserting “, or (B) who is eligible for counseling and care and services under section 1720D of this title, for the purposes of such counseling and care and services” before the period at the end; and

- (2) in paragraph (2)—
- (A) by striking out “, (B)” and inserting in lieu thereof “or (B)”; and

(B) by striking out “, or (C)” and all that follows through “such counseling”.

(f) PROGRAM REVISION.—(1) Section 1720D is further amended—

- (A) by striking out “woman” in subsection (a)(1);

(B) by striking out “women” in subsection (b)(2)(C) and in the first sentence of subsection (c), as redesignated by subsection (c); and

(C) by striking out “women” in subsection (c)(2), as so redesignated, and inserting in lieu thereof “individuals”.

(2)(A) The heading of such section is amended to read as follows:

“§1720D. Counseling and treatment for sexual trauma”.

(B) The item relating to such section in the table of sections at the beginning of chapter 17 is amended to read as follows:

“1720D. Counseling and treatment for sexual trauma.”.

(g) INFORMATION BY TELEPHONE.—(1) Paragraph (1) of section 1720D(c), as redesignated by subsection (c) of this section, is amended to read as follows:

“(1) shall include availability of a toll-free telephone number (commonly referred to as an 800 number); and”.

(2) In providing information on counseling available to veterans as required under section 1720D(c)(1) of title 38, United States

Code (as amended by paragraph (1)), the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure that the Department of Veterans Affairs personnel who provide assistance under such section are trained in the provision to persons who have experienced sexual trauma of information about the care and services relating to sexual trauma that are available to veterans in the communities in which such veterans reside, including care and services available under programs of the Department (including the care and services available under section 1720D of such title) and from non-Department agencies or organizations.

(3) The telephone assistance service shall be operated in a manner that protects the confidentiality of persons who place calls to the system.

(4) The Secretary shall ensure that information about the availability of the telephone assistance service is visibly posted in Department medical facilities and is advertised through public service announcements, pamphlets, and other means.

(5) Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report on the operation of the telephone assistance service required under section 1720D(c)(1) of title 38, United States Code (as amended by paragraph (1)). The report shall set forth the following:

(A) The number of persons who sought information during the period covered by the report through a toll free telephone number regarding services available to veterans relating to sexual trauma, with a separate display of the number of such persons arrayed by State (as such term is defined in section 101(20) of title 38, United States Code).

(B) A description of the training provided to the personnel who provide such assistance.

(C) The recommendations and plans of the Secretary for the improvement of the service.

(h) CONFORMING REPEAL.—Section 102(b) of the Veterans Health Care Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-585; 106 Stat. 4946; 38 U.S.C. 1720D note) is repealed.

SEC. 102. RESEARCH RELATING TO WOMEN VETERANS.

(a) INCLUSION OF WOMEN AND MINORITIES IN CLINICAL RESEARCH PROJECTS.—Section 7303 is amended—

- (1) by transferring the text of subsection (c) to the end of subsection (a)(1); and

(2) by striking out “(c)” and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

“(c)(1) In conducting or supporting clinical research, the Secretary shall ensure that, whenever possible and appropriate—

“(A) women who are veterans are included as subjects in each project of such research; and

“(B) members of minority groups who are veterans are included as subjects of such research.

“(2) In the case of a project of clinical research in which women or members of minority groups will under paragraph (1) be included as subjects of the research, the Secretary shall ensure that the project is designed and carried out so as to provide for a valid analysis of whether the variables being tested in the research affect women or members of minority groups, as the case may be, differently than other persons who are subjects of the research.”.

(b) HEALTH RESEARCH.—(1) Such section is further amended by adding after subsection (c), as added by subsection (a), the following new subsection:

“(d)(1) The Secretary, in carrying out the Secretary’s responsibilities under this section, shall foster and encourage the initiation and expansion of research relating to the health of veterans who are women.

“(2) In carrying out this subsection, the Secretary shall consult with the following to assist the Secretary in setting research priorities:

“(A) Officials of the Department assigned responsibility for women’s health programs and sexual trauma services.

“(B) The members of the Advisory Committee on Women Veterans.

“(C) Members of appropriate task forces and working groups within the Department (including the Women Veterans Working Group and the Task Force on Treatment of Women Who Suffer Sexual Abuse).”.

(2) Section 109 of the Veterans Health Care Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-585; 38 U.S.C. 7303 note) is repealed.

(c) POPULATION STUDY.—Section 110(a) of the Veterans Health Care Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-585; 106 Stat. 4948) is amended by adding at the end of paragraph (3) the following: “If it is feasible to do so within the amounts available for the conduct of the study, the Secretary shall ensure that the sample referred to in paragraph (1) constitutes a representative sampling (as determined by the Secretary) of the ages, the ethnic, social and economic backgrounds, the enlisted and officer grades, and the branches of service of all veterans who are women.”.

SEC. 103. EXTENSION OF EXPIRING AUTHORITIES.

(a) AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE PRIORITY HEALTH CARE FOR VETERANS EXPOSED TO TOXIC SUBSTANCES.—Chapter 17 is amended—

- (1) in section 1710(e)(3)—

(A) by striking out “June 30, 1994” and inserting in lieu thereof “June 30, 1995”; and

(B) by striking out “December 31, 1994” and inserting in lieu thereof “December 31, 1995”; and

(2) in section 1712(a)(1)(D), by striking out “December 31, 1994” and inserting in lieu thereof “December 31, 1995”.

(b) DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE AND DEPENDENCE.—Section 1720A(e) is amended by striking out “December 31, 1994” and inserting in lieu thereof “December 31, 1995”.

(c) PILOT PROGRAM FOR NONINSTITUTIONAL ALTERNATIVES TO NURSING HOME CARE.—(1) Effective as of October 1, 1994, subsection (a) of section 1720C is amended by striking out “During the four-year period beginning on October 1, 1990,” and inserting in lieu thereof “During the period through September 30, 1995.”.

(2) Such subsection is further amended by striking out “care and who—” and inserting in lieu thereof “care. The Secretary shall give priority for participation in such program to veterans who—”.

(d) ENHANCED-USE LEASES OF REAL PROPERTY.—Section 8169 is amended by striking out “December 31, 1994” and inserting in lieu thereof “December 31, 1995”.

(e) AUTHORITY FOR COMMUNITY-BASED RESIDENTIAL CARE FOR HOMELESS CHRONICALLY MENTALLY ILL VETERANS AND OTHER VETERANS.—Section 115(d) of the Veterans’ Benefits and Services Act of 1988 (38 U.S.C. 1712 note) is amended by striking out “September 30, 1994” and inserting in lieu thereof “September 30, 1995”.

(f) DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM OF COMPENSATED WORK THERAPY.—Section 7(a) of Public Law 102-54 (105 Stat. 269; 38 U.S.C. 1718 note) is amended by striking out “1994” and inserting in lieu thereof “1995”.

(g) REPORT DEADLINES.—Section 201(b) of the Department of Veterans Affairs Nurse Pay Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-366; 38 U.S.C. 1720C note) is amended by striking out “February 1, 1994,” and inserting in lieu thereof “February 1, 1995.”.

SEC. 104. FACILITIES IN REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES.

Notwithstanding section 1724 of title 38, United States Code, the Secretary of Veter-

ans Affairs may contract with facilities in the Republic of the Philippines other than the Veterans Memorial Medical Center to furnish, during the period from February 28, 1994, through June 1, 1994, hospital care and medical services to veterans for nonservice-connected disabilities if such veterans are unable to defray the expenses of necessary hospital care. When the Secretary determines it to be most feasible, the Secretary may provide medical services under the preceding sentence to such veterans at the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic at Manila, Republic of the Philippines.

SEC. 105. RATIFICATION OF ACTIONS DURING PERIOD OF LAPSED AUTHORITY.

Any action of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs under section 1710(e) of title 38, United States Code, during the period beginning on July 1, 1994, and ending on the date of the enactment of this Act is hereby ratified.

TITLE II—CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZATION

SEC. 201. AUTHORIZATION OF MAJOR MEDICAL FACILITY PROJECTS AND MAJOR MEDICAL FACILITY LEASES.

(a) **PROJECTS AUTHORIZED.**—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may carry out the major medical facility projects for the Department of Veterans Affairs, and may carry out the major medical facility leases for that Department, for which funds are requested in the budget of the President for fiscal year 1995. The authorization in the preceding sentence applies to projects and leases which have not been authorized, or for which funds have not been appropriated, in any fiscal year before fiscal year 1995 and to projects and leases which have been authorized, or for which funds were appropriated, in fiscal years before fiscal year 1995.

(b) **ADDITIONAL PROJECTS.**—(1) In addition to the projects authorized in subsection (a), the Secretary may carry out the following major medical facility projects in the amounts specified for such projects:

(A) The projects that are proposed in the documents submitted to Congress by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs in conjunction with the budget of the President for fiscal year 1995 to be financed with funds from the proposed Health Care Investment Fund.

(B) Construction of a nursing home facility at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Charleston, South Carolina, in the amount of \$7,300,000.

(C) Construction of an outpatient care addition at the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in Phoenix, Arizona, in the amount of \$50,000,000.

(D) A lease/purchase of a nursing home facility near Fort Myers, Florida, in the amount of \$12,800,000.

(2) The authorizations in paragraph (1) apply to projects which have not been authorized, or for which funds have not been appropriated, in any fiscal year before fiscal year 1995 and to projects which have been authorized, or for which funds were appropriated, in fiscal years before fiscal year 1995.

(c) **PROJECTS FOR WHICH FUNDS APPROPRIATED.**—In addition to the projects authorized in subsections (a) and (b), the Secretary may carry out the following major medical facility projects for which funds were appropriated in chapter 7 of the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act of 1994 (title I of Public Law 103-211; 108 Stat. 10) in the amounts specified:

(1) Construction of an ambulatory care/support services facility at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Sepulveda, California, \$53,700,000.

(2) Other major medical facility projects required to repair, restore, or replace earthquake-damaged facilities at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Sepulveda, California, \$50,000,000.

SEC. 202. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 1995—

(1) \$379,370,000 for the major medical facility projects authorized in subsections (a), (b), and (c) of section 201; and

(2) \$15,800,000 for the major medical facility leases authorized in section 201(a).

(b) **LIMITATION.**—The projects authorized in subsections (a) and (b) of section 201 may only be carried out using—

(1) funds appropriated for fiscal year 1995 pursuant to the authorization of appropriations in subsection (a);

(2) funds appropriated for Construction, Major Projects for a fiscal year before fiscal year 1995 that remain available for obligation; and

(3) funds appropriated for Construction, Major Projects for fiscal year 1995 for a category of activity not specific to a project.

(c) **LIMITATION ON CERTAIN PROJECTS.**—The projects authorized in subsection (c) of section 201 may only be carried out using—

(1) funds appropriated to the Construction, Major Projects account under chapter 7 of the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act of 1994 (title I of Public Law 103-211; 108 Stat. 10) and funds transferred by the President to the Construction, Major Projects account pursuant to chapter 8 of that Act (108 Stat. 14);

(2) funds appropriated to the Medical Care account by chapter 7 of the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act of 1994 that are transferred to the Construction, Major Projects account;

(3) funds appropriated to the Construction, Major Projects account for a fiscal year before fiscal year 1995 that remain available for obligation; and

(4) funds appropriated to the Construction, Major Projects account for fiscal year 1995 for a category of activity not specific to a project.

In lieu of the amendment of the Senate to the title of the bill, amend the title so as to read: "An Act to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring veterans' health care programs, and for other purposes."

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said Senate amendments were agreed to with amendments was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said amendments.

1122.10 VETERANS' COMPENSATION COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT

On motion of Mr. MONTGOMERY, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (S. 1927) to increase the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans; together with the following amendment of the Senate to the amendment of the House was taken from the Speaker's table:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the House amendment to the text of the bill, insert:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 1994".

SEC. 2. INCREASE IN RATES OF DISABILITY COMPENSATION AND DEPENDENCY AND INDEMNITY COMPENSATION.

(a) **RATE ADJUSTMENT.**—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall, effective on December

1, 1994, increase the dollar amounts in effect for the payment of disability compensation and dependency and indemnity compensation by the Secretary, as specified in subsection (b)—

(b) **AMOUNTS TO BE INCREASED.**—The dollar amounts to be increased pursuant to subsection (a) are the following:

(1) **COMPENSATION.**—Each of the dollar amounts in effect under section 1114 of title 38, United States Code.

(2) **ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR DEPENDENTS.**—Each of the dollar amounts in effect under section 1115(1) of such title.

(3) **CLOTHING ALLOWANCE.**—The dollar amount in effect under section 1162 of such title.

(4) **NEW DIC RATES.**—The dollar amounts in effect under paragraphs (1) and (2) of section 1311(a) of such title.

(5) **OLD DIC RATES.**—Each of the dollar amounts in effect under section 1311(a)(3) of such title.

(6) **ADDITIONAL DIC FOR DISABILITY.**—The dollar amounts in effect under sections 1311(c) and 1311(d) of such title.

(7) **DIC FOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN.**—The dollar amounts in effect under sections 1313(a) and 1314 of such title.

(c) **DETERMINATION OF PERCENTAGE INCREASE.**—(1) The increase under subsection (a) shall be made in the dollar amounts specified in subsection (b) as in effect on November 30, 1994. Each such amount shall be increased by the same percentage as the percentage by which benefit amounts payable under title II of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 401 et seq.) are increased effective December 1, 1994, as a result of a determination under section 215(i) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 415(i)).

(2) In the computation of increased dollar amounts pursuant to paragraph (1), any amount which as so computed is not an even multiple of \$1 shall be rounded to the next lower whole dollar amount.

(d) **SPECIAL RULE.**—The Secretary may adjust administratively, consistent with the increases made under subsection (a), the rates of disability compensation payable to persons within the purview of section 10 of Public Law 85-857 (72 Stat. 1263) who are not in receipt of compensation payable pursuant to chapter 11 of title 38, United States Code.

SEC. 3. PUBLICATION OF ADJUSTED RATES.

At the same time as the matters specified in section 215(i)(2)(D) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 415(i)(2)(D)) are required to be published by reason of a determination made under section 215(i) of such Act during fiscal year 1994, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall publish in the Federal Register the amounts specified in section 2(b), as increased pursuant to section 2.

On motion of Mr. MONTGOMERY, said Senate amendment to the House amendment was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said Senate amendment to the House amendment was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

1122.11 NEW LONDON NATIONAL FISHING HATCHERY

On motion of Mr. STUDDS, by unanimous consent, the bill (H.R. 3664) to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the State of Minnesota the New London National Fishing Hatchery production facility; together with the following amendments of the Senate thereto, was taken from the Speaker's table: